

What is claimed is:

1. A dive marker, comprising:

a body member having an outer surface, at least a portion of said outer surface containing dive flag indicia, said body member including a bladder portion;

5 a valve in communication with said bladder portion;

wherein upon proper inflation of said bladder portion a majority of the outer surface of said body member containing dive flag indicia expands outward; and

means for maintaining said body member in a substantially vertical orientation at water surface level.

10 2. The dive marker of claim 1 wherein said means for maintaining is a weight member and a weight holder, said weight holder attached to a lower end of said body member.

3. The dive marker of claim 2 wherein said weight holder is a pocket attached to a pair of straps, said straps attached to the lower end of said body member.

15 4. The dive marker of claim 1 wherein said body member having three outer side surfaces, each of said outer side surface having dive flag indicia.

5. The dive marker of claim 1 wherein said valve is a "no-lock" valve.

6. The dive marker of claim 1 further including an "overpressure" relief valve in communication with said bladder portion.

7. A dive marker assembly, comprising:

20 an upper portion having at least three inflatable outer sides and having dive indicia disposed on an outer surface of each of said at least three inflatable outer sides; and

means for maintaining at least a majority of said inflatable upper portion above water surface level.

8. The dive marker assembly of claim 7 wherein said upper portion is a triangularly  
25 shaped member having three outer sides defining an interior area and having an inflation mechanism in communication therewith, said triangularly shaped member provided with dive flag indicia on each outer surface.

9. The dive marker assembly of claim 8 wherein said means for maintaining is a post member centrally attached to said triangularly shaped member within the interior area defined

by the three outer sides.

10. The dive marker assembly of claim 9 wherein said means for maintaining further including a counterweight assembly disposed at a lower end of said post member.

11. The dive marker assembly of claim 9 wherein said post member is inflatable.

5 12. A dive marker assembly, comprising:

an inflatable vane assembly having indicia disposed on an outer surface; and

means for maintaining at least a majority of said inflatable vane assembly above water surface level;

10 wherein said means for maintaining is an inflatable platform and a shaft member, said platform attached to said shaft and said vane assembly disposed at one end of said shaft;

wherein said platform is independent from said inflatable vane assembly.

13. A dive marker assembly, comprising:

an upper portion having a plurality of inflatable outer sides and having dive indicia disposed on an outer surface of at least one of the plurality of outer side surfaces;

15 means for maintaining at least a portion of said upper portion above water surface level; and

a light assembly connected to said upper portion.

14. A dive marker assembly, comprising:

20 a vane assembly having a plurality of vanes, at least one of said plurality of vanes having indicia disposed on an outer surface; and

a platform; and

a shaft member, said platform attached to said shaft and said vane assembly disposed at one end of said shaft.

15. The dive marker of claim 14 wherein each of said plurality of vanes is inflatable.

25 16. The dive marker of claim 14 wherein said platform is inflatable.

17. The dive marker of claim 15 wherein said platform is inflatable.